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July 9, 2021

BY ECF AND EMAIL

The Honorable Ronnie Abrams United States District Judge Southern District of New York 40 Foley Square New York, New York 10007 Application granted.

SO ORDERED.

Re: United States v. Francis Tabar-Cepeda, S4 17 Cr. 618 (RA)

Ronnie Abrams, U.S.D.J. July 9, 2021

Dear Judge Abrams:

Defendant Francis Tabar-Cepeda was arrested on June 28, 2021, and presented before Magistrate Judge Freeman on June 29, 2021. An initial pretrial conference in the above-captioned case is currently scheduled for July 21, 2021, at 11:00 a.m. The Government has begun to produce discovery to counsel for Mr. Tabar-Cepeda and has also begun conversations about a potential pretrial disposition.

The Government respectfully requests that the time between today and July 21, 2021, be excluded in the interest of justice pursuant to the provisions of the Speedy Trial Act so that the defendant can begin to review discovery and the parties can continue to discuss a potential pretrial disposition. Counsel for the defendant consents to this request.

Respectfully submitted,

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